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***Response to Amendment***

The reply filed on August 6, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the amendment is not in compliance with the revised amendment practice 37 CFR 1.121 effective July 30, 2003 because the status identifiers (allowed) for some of the claims are incorrect. (1) The current status of all of the claims in the application must be given in a parenthetical expression following the claim number using only one of the following seven status identifier: (*original*), (*currently amended*), (*canceled*), (*withdrawn*), (*new*), (*previously presented*) and (*not entered*). Canceled and not entered claims must be indicated by only the claim number and status, without presenting the text of the claims. (2) The text of all claims being currently amended must be presented in the claim listing with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to the immediate prior version. The changes in any amended claim must be shown by underlining (for added matter) or strikethrough (for deleted matter) with 2 exceptions: (1) for deletion of five characters

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See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30)**

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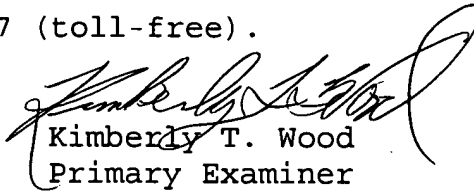
### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kimberly T. Wood whose telephone number is 703-308-0539. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 7:30am to 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Leslie Braun can be reached on 703-308-2156. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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